To suppress "local interest" broadcasts from satellite radio would be an egregious intrusion on free enterprise. Those of us that subscribe to satellite radio have done so out of sheer disgust - and impatience - with traditional AM/FM broadcasting. The airtime devoted to commercials has in many cases outstipped any other value for the listener. My primary fondness for satellite radio lies in two areas: 1) lack of commercials, and 2) the ability to listen to music on a genre basis. To add local traffic and news to that mix is not a loss of listenership to AM/FM stations ... they have already lost that battle.